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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicants : Paul R. Coronado et al      Docket No. : IL-10797  
Serial No. : 09/960,593      Art Unit : 1724  
Filed : September 21, 2001      Examiner : Ivars Cintins  
For : Method of Oil Spill Recovery Using Hydrophobic Sol-Gels and  
Aerogels

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In Response to the Office Action mailed January 15, 2004 an Extension of  
Time is enclosed for the above referenced application.

A Continuation Application (Attorney Docket IL-10797B ) will be filed  
shortly.

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